



Pikes Peak Sustainability Indicators Project

- **Project Review and Outlook**
 - Fremont County Commissioner Larry Lasha
 - Colorado Springs City Councilman Tom Gallagher
- **Workshop:** In-depth report review and exploration of convening regional solutions
- **Reports**
 - Project Summary Report - final draft available at Café table or afternoon workshop; your comments welcome
 - Project Report - available at website end of November (approx. 200 pages)

The Army's Sustainability Strategy



- “Find the benefits from considering together: mission, environment, and community”
- “Achieving the vision will require a deep and personal commitment...”



Peter J. Schoomaker,
General, Army Chief of
Staff
R.L. Brownlee, Acting
Secretary of the Army



Fort Carson's 2027 Sustainability Goals

- Zero Waste
 - Solid waste
 - Hazardous waste
 - Wastewater
- 100% Renewable energy
- 75% Reduction Water Purchases
- 40% Reduction Vehicle Usage + Increase Vehicle Alternatives
- Sustainability in all Procurement Decisions



Fort Carson Strategy: The SEMS



“Sustainability and Environmental Management System”

A system that will drive sustainability performance...by making *sustainable actions* and *thinking* a part of everyone's daily job responsibilities.



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Purposes:

Explore indicators as management tool

Explore regional collaboration

Explore sustainability for region

Launch local or regional efforts to carry on

Align community goals with Fort Carson's and each others when cost-effective



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Participants:

Counties: El Paso, Fremont, Pueblo

Cities: Canon City, Colorado Springs,
Florence, Fountain, Manitou Springs,
Pueblo

Technical: Colorado College, Pikes Peak
Area Council of Governments, Pikes
Peak United Way, UCCS

Civic: 30+ organizations represented



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Structure:

Steering Committee of participants

Task Forces:

Nature

Economy

Well-Being

Society

Staff: Fort Carson DECAM



Learn from Leading Examples

South West Penn. (Pittsburgh - 2002)

Central Texas (Austin area - 2000)

Jacksonville Community Council (1975)

Colorado:

Larimer County Compass Project

Routt and Moffat County "Yampa Valley Partners" Community Indicator Project

Boulder County Civic Forum

Healthy Colorado 2010 Goals



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- Convene local governments, civic organizations, technical resources to explore indicators as management tool, sustainability as a goal and guide, need for regional cooperation
- Develop 100+ recommended indicators based on comprehensive plans, hot topics discussions, FtC Goals
- “Phase I” Reports completed Nov 05
- Pass project on to regional and/or locally-centered efforts with FtC as partner

Indicators Advantages

Measuring Success of Planning

Fremont County - Comprehensive Plan

Urban and Rural Development

Transportation

Economic Development Agriculture

Housing

Water, Sewer and Utilities

Drainage

Community Services and Facilities

Solid Waste

Environmental and Cultural Resources

Visual Resources

Open Space and Recreation

Colorado Springs Strategic Action Plan 2005-2010

City of Colorado Springs
Strategic Action Plan 2005-2010

City of Colorado Springs

**Strategic Action Plan
2005-2010**

Semiannual Progress Report

April 2005

April 2005



Colorado Springs Strategic Action Plan 2005-2010

6 Focus Areas

Transportation

Public Safety

Infrastructure

Citizen Services and Workforce

Economic Development

Community Development and Growth

34 Objectives

81 Target Measures

Colorado Springs Strategic Action Plan 2005-2010

A “rolling plan” providing long-term vision, allowing annual adjustments

Example:

Objective 6.1: Preserve neighborhood identity and character

Target Measure 6.1.1: Reduce cut through traffic in neighborhoods



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What Happened:

Much of what people want to know isn't measured

Indicator list grew to 100+

Indicators can get out ahead of policies

Solutions conversations stimulated -
Convening Function jump-started

Inspiration generated by rationality and
non-partisan nature



Convening Regional Solutions

Three Counties - One Economy? - But
Three Planning Regions

Businesses will see one labor force

Critical Fort Carson Need: Affordable
housing

Watersheds are regional



PPSIP: The Big Goals:

Convene an Attractive Conversation about the Future (Sustainability)

Align region and Fort Carson goals

Lay Groundwork for Collaborative Solutions on the Right Scale

Obtain the Benefits of Whole Systems Approaches



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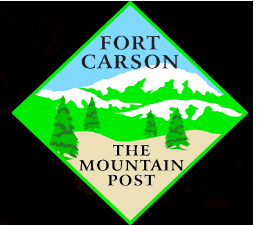


Next Steps:

- Present Phase I Reports to Local Governments
- Civic organization presentations as invited
- Steering Committee convenes planning for permanent home
- Development of key indicators particularly Indexes



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Potential Homes:

Regional Government Orgs: Action 22

Regional Planning Orgs: Pikes Peak Area
Council of Governments, PACOG, Upper
Arkansas

County United Ways

Higher Education: CC, UCCS, CSU

Civic Organizations (e.g. Catamount, Pueblo
2010, Sustainable Pueblo, Economic
Development organizations)



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